

Answer on Question #40387, Math, Differential Calculus

Solve the differential equation:

$$x dy - (3y + x^5 y^{1/3}) dx = 0$$

Solution:

This equation is called the Bernoulli's equation.

Rewrite this equation

$$x y' - 3y = x^5 y^{1/3}$$

Divide both sides by $\frac{3}{2} x y^{1/3}$

$$\frac{2y'}{3y^{1/3}} - \frac{2y^{2/3}}{x} = \frac{2}{3} x^4$$

Let $z(x) = y^{2/3}$, which gives $\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{y'}{y^{1/3}}$. Then we have equation:

$$\frac{dz}{dx} - 2 \frac{z}{x} = \frac{2}{3} x^4$$

$$\text{Let } \mu(x) = e^{\int -\frac{2}{x} dx} = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

Multiply both sides by $\mu(x)$

$$\frac{1}{x^2} \frac{dz}{dx} - 2 \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{z}{x} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{x^2} x^4 = \frac{2}{3} x^2$$

Apply the reverse product rule $g \frac{df}{dx} + f \frac{dg}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(fg)$ on the left hand side:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{z}{x^2} \right) = \frac{2x^2}{3}$$

Integrate both sides with respect to x:

$$\int \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{z}{x^2} \right) dx = \int \frac{2x^2}{3} dx$$

$$\frac{z}{x^2} = \frac{2x^3}{9} + C, \text{ where } C \text{ is an arbitrary constant.}$$

$$z = x^2 \left(\frac{2x^3}{9} + C \right)$$

$$y = z^{3/2} = \left(x^2 \left(\frac{2x^3}{9} + C \right) \right)^{3/2}$$

Answer:

$$y = \left(x^2 \left(\frac{2x^3}{9} + C \right) \right)^{3/2}$$